

Are You Ready To Ride?

The DOs of Ride Safety

Before You Get on a Ride:

- ✓ Do observe each ride before participating – make sure you are comfortable with it
- ✓ Do look for the posted State of New Jersey certificate of operation – this document ensures rides are inspected and have passed the stringent safety regulations required by the state
- ✓ Do read and obey all written and verbal warnings and instructions
- ✓ Do observe age, height and weight, and other physical restrictions for each ride

Before the Ride Begins:

- ✓ Do fasten safety equipment such as a seatbelt, shoulder harness, lap bar or chain
- ✓ Do secure all clothing and personal possessions
- ✓ Do follow instructions of ride operators

While the Ride is in Motion:

- ✓ Do keep hands, arms, legs and feet inside the ride at all times

Before Getting off of the Ride:

- ✓ Do keep all safety equipment fastened until the operator instructs you to exit
- ✓ Do stay in the ride until it comes to a complete stop and wait for the operator to tell you to get out
- ✓ Do enter or dismount a ride only in the area instructed by the ride operator

The DON'Ts of Ride Safety

- ✗ Don't throw any object from an amusement ride or attraction
- ✗ Don't endanger or injure yourself or others around you on the ride by behaving in a reckless manner
- ✗ Don't enter any ride that you are uncomfortable with or that your child fears
- ✗ Don't horseplay around, on or near a ride at any time
- ✗ Don't enter a ride without the supervision of the ride operator
- ✗ Don't bring food or drinks on any ride, and don't smoke



Child Safety

Parents should take several additional safety precautions for their children, especially small children, when participating in amusement rides or attractions.

Parents should:

- ✓ Know your child's capabilities and limitations with regard to whether the ride is appropriate for them
- ✓ Watch the ride in operation before entering to make sure your child can ride it safely
- ✓ Remind your child of Ride Safety 'Dos' and 'Don'ts'
- ✓ Remind your child to stay seated, hold on to safety bars and obey the ride operator's instructions
- ✓ Designate an easily recognizable place to meet your child after the ride is over
- ✓ Supervise your child at all times



Safety is the most important component of every family outing. New Jersey's amusement parks, fairs, carnivals and attractions are some of the best in the country and are designed to entertain every member of your family. So the next time you visit your favorite amusement park, fair or carnival, just remember to be "Ready to Ride."

For more information about carnival and amusement ride safety, contact:

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